

## DISGRACE OR DEATH.

### POSTMASTER MAPES TOOK THE LATTER.

Was Short \$8,000 to \$10,000 in Accounts of the Kansas City, Kan., Post-office, and Blew His Brains Out—Drink the Cause of His Downfall.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., March 16.—Postmaster Frank Mapes of Kansas City, Kan., one of the best known Democrats in the State of Kansas, committed suicide by shooting himself at his home, 715 Washington avenue, yesterday morning. The cause of his suicide was the discovery of a shortage in his accounts with the government.

The discovery had just been made by Inspectors Sutton and Reid of the postoffice department at Washington. Rather than face the charges of official dishonesty Mr. Mapes took his own life. The affair has created a sensation in Kansas City, Kan., and in this city. The last time Mr. Mapes was at the postoffice was Friday night. The inspectors arrived Thursday and began the inspection of his books. They have not yet completed the examination, but have ascertained that the amount of the shortage will be between \$8,000 and \$10,000. Thursday and Friday they found some discrepancies in the book accounts of the office. The postmaster, so the employees say, always kept the books under lock and key, and would not allow anyone to handle them. The shortage extends over twelve months, the inspectors say, and was covered up by false entries in the books and in reports sent to the department at Washington.

That Mr. Mapes had contemplated suicide for a time is proved. Nearly two months ago he was in this city drinking, when one of his friends found him and chided him for his bibulous habits, telling him that he would certainly make trouble for himself with the government. He replied promptly that he proposed to have a good time, and when trouble came he would stop it all with a pistol. His friend paid little attention to the words at the time.

He leaves a wife and three small children. He was 34 years of age and had lived in Wyandotte county over thirty years. He was a prominent Mason, Knight Templar and Shiner, and also a member of the order of Elks. He carried \$5,000 life insurance. His bondsmen are in charge of the office.

### REED DELEGATES.

Maine Man's Managers Claim McKinley's Lead Is More Apparent Than Real.

WASHINGTON, March 16.—According to the figures of the Reed managers—and they assert that they are not contradicted by the friends of other candidates—of the 176 delegates already elected to the national Republican convention, Major McKinley has 63, Speaker Reed 38, Senator Quay 26, Senator Cullum 19, Governor Morton 6, Senator Allison 5, and the titles of 28 are contested. While this distribution apparently gives Major McKinley a long lead, it is contended by Mr. Reed's friends that it is not as great as it looks, as out of 63, 20 are from his own state, Ohio, while in Mr. Reed's column not a single New England delegate is included.

### A Regicide Seeks Pardon.

CHICAGO, March 16.—One of the Russian nihilists concerned in the assassination of Czar Alexander II of Russia has applied for a pardon to the Russian government, offering, if the pardon is granted, to join the Russian secret service and give the government valuable information. The name of the applicant is George Krasnow, and he has lived in Chicago under an assumed name, carefully protected by his countrymen. After the assassination of the czar Krasnow was arrested, but secured his release on bonds through influential friends and fled to America.

### For Forgery and Arson.

ARKANSAS CITY, Kan., March 16.—In the District court at Winfield, J. H. Baker was convicted of the crime of burning the Missouri Pacific depot at Tisdale, seven miles east of Winfield, on December 15 last. Friday he was found guilty of forging two express money orders for \$50 each, which crime he thought to conceal by burning the depot and destroying the records.

### Filibustering Steamer Sails.

NEW YORK, March 16.—The steamer Bermuda, recently seized by the federal government while attempting to leave this harbor on a supposed filibustering expedition to Cuba, and afterwards released, left her anchorage in the upper bay and proceeded to sea yesterday morning. She cleared yesterday for Vera Cruz, Mex.

### Twenty Inches of Snow Fall.

OMAHA, Neb., March 16.—For forty hours snow has been falling in Nebraska. No section has been neglected, though in the western counties, where the moisture is most needed to place the soil in good condition for spring seeding, it has been heaviest. It averages from five to twenty inches in depth.

### O'Brien Sentenced for Life.

PARIS, March 16.—The trial of Tom O'Brien, the American bunco steerer, charged with the murder of "Kid" Waddell, another American swindler, has terminated, the jury promptly bringing in a verdict of guilty. The court sentenced O'Brien to imprisonment at hard labor for life.

### Found a Verdict on Sunday.

TOPEKA, Kan., March 16.—Frank Sevels, colored, charged with killing Mrs. Matson, a wealthy woman, who lived alone in this city, a year ago was yesterday found guilty of murder in the second degree. The jury was out twenty hours. The case was tried six months ago, when the jury disagreed.

### Predicts McKinley's Nomination.

NEW YORK, March 16.—The World says it has made a poll of nearly every state in the Union and as a result predicts the nomination of William McKinley by the St. Louis convention.

## LATE NEWS NOTES.

Willis Hollers, a drunken ex-convict, was whitecapped at Mitchell, Ind.

About forty boys burned a Spanish flag publicly in the streets of Smyrna, Del.

Eight thousand garment workers in Chicago are out on a sympathetic strike.

Parties from Pekin, Ill., have bought the Omaha distillery and expect to operate it.

Frank Scully, a laboring man, was murdered and robbed of \$50 by two Guthrie fiends.

Postmaster J. H. Cooke of Quinlan, Tex., attempted suicide because of being \$6,000 short in his accounts.

A lot of Texas pilgrims are en route to Jerusalem to be in the holy city when the world ends, which is expected soon.

The Secretary of War has been authorized to issue Springfield rifles to national guards for the ones now in use.

In a row at prayer-meeting at the colored Baptist church in Guthrie, Okla., Tobe Adams fatally carved Deacon William McLain.

A north-bound Katy passenger was held up by a masked and armed man near Greenville, Tex., who robbed every passenger in the sleeper.

Archie Belongos of Benton, Mich., shot Gertrude Bailey dead, tried to kill her sister and mother and then killed himself. Gertrude had jilted the nunny.

Cuban insurgents in Santa Clara forbid the country people going into the towns. There are no priests in their camps and baptisms and marriages are dispensed with.

Safe in James Smith's grocery store, Peoria, Ill., was blown open by burglars, who secured \$10,000. Eighteen negotiable Pacific Express company's orders were among the booty.

House committee on judiciary has reported favorably a bill to give Texas, Kansas and Arkansas courts jurisdiction in the Indian Territory over all criminal and certain civil cases.

Express companies ask Congress to extend the jurisdiction of Texas and Arkansas courts over the Indian Territory, alleging that the court officials of the Territory are in collusion with outlaws.

Dean H. C. Allen, Business Manager C. W. Ray, Register E. C. Fisher and Matron Elizabeth Shurra of Hering Medical college, Chicago, are under arrest for illegal disposal of the two bodies recently found in a barrel.

Fifteen commissioned officers of the Ohio National Guard have resigned because the Senate killed the bill to reimburse Colonel Coit for expense incurred in being tried and acquitted of manslaughter in the killing of one of the men in a mob that attacked the Washington Court House jail, and which Coit's militia fired on.

A plot to break jail at St. Joseph was nipped in the bud by a colored trusty giving it away. Several murderers and other desperate characters are confined in the St. Joseph jail.

In a report on the militia of the States the secretary of war shows that if necessary the United States could put into the field on a war footing nearly ten million men.

The State department has ordered Consul General Williams to interfere in the case of the American, Agramante, whom the Spanish are trying at Havana for complicity in the Cuban revolution.

Late Archbishop Kenrick's will was filed for probate at St. Louis. Personal and real property is left to Rev. Phillip B. Brady, now deceased. Immense church property is conveyed to Archbishop Kain and the will provides for the payment of annuities to many relatives.

As a result of the change in police commissioners at Wichita, Assistant Attorney General W. P. Campbell has resigned.

February 8, R. C. Pickett induced a 16-year-old girl named Helms to leave her home at Nashua, Iowa, and go with him to Carrollton, where he opened a store under the name of B. O. Caplan. The couple lived as man and wife but never married. Pickett went to Kansas City, passed forged checks and was arrested and put in jail.

President Cleveland has refused to interfere with the death sentence against Cherokee Bill.

Emperor William's arm was photographed by X rays and the cause of its malformation was found.

The Senate committee on judiciary are making amendments to the House provision of the judicial bill which abolishes the fee system.

Exports from the United States for eight months ending with February show a heavy increase over last year's and exceed imports for the eight months by \$61,000,000.

Father Dominick O'Grady, who killed Mary Gilmartin in Cincinnati, has been sent to an insane asylum.

Alexander Nemethy of Yonkers, N. Y., killed his step-daughter because she repulsed his advances, and then committed suicide.

Princess Kainiani of Hawaii will be married to an Italian nobleman in Rome on Easter Monday.

A bill has been introduced in the House providing for the organization of Alaska territory.

District of Columbia Democrats elected an anti-Cleveland delegation to the Chicago convention.

It is denied and practically admitted in the denial that the Venezuelan controversy is near settlement.

Mr. B. L. Locke resigned as member of the board of managers of Fulton insane asylum because Governor Stone urged the board to oust Superintendent Wilson.

The army, following the policy of the navy, will not hereafter permit foreigners to witness its experiments.

Bills for attorneys' fees, presented at Washington, will make a big hole in the funds of the Cherokee old settlers.

A bill has been introduced to incorporate the North American Maritime Canal, whose object is to connect the lakes with tide water of the Hudson.

The North American commercial monopoly has protested that it will make trouble if the Government undertakes to kill the seals at the Pribyllofs under the Dingley bill.

## DUN'S BUSINESS REVIEW.

Waiting is Still the Rule in the General Market.

NEW YORK, March 16.—R. G. Dun & Co.'s weekly review of trade says:

Waiting is still the rule. Large hope, but little actual business, explains the strength of some markets and the weakness of others. The feeling that the spring of 1896 ought to bring larger business will not suffice to meet expenses all the season if the larger business does not come.

It is especially noteworthy that prices of materials have varied quite differently from prices of manufactured products, although in most cases the advance last fall was commenced by extraordinary uplifting of prices for materials. Thus, cotton is 27.9 per cent higher than a year ago, but cotton goods average only 10.7 per cent. Wool is about 5.3 per cent higher than a year ago, but woolen goods are, on the whole, about 4 per cent lower. Pigiron is only 17 per cent higher than a year ago, while finished products of iron and steel average 15 per cent higher. These comparisons are important because they disclose something of the grave dislocation of prices which inadequate consumption and combinations have produced.

### REBELS AGAIN ROUTED.

President Zelaya's Troops Win Another Victory in Nicaragua.

MANAGUA, Nicaragua, March 16.—The Nicaraguan government troops won another victory over the Leonists at Pital, not far from Momotombo, yesterday. Between 2,000 and 3,000 men were engaged. The fighting was severe and the troops from Leon, Chichigalpa and Chinandega, the three strongholds of the Leonists, numbering about 1,500 men, were routed with the loss of 200 killed and wounded. About fifty of the government troops, which numbered about 1,200 men, were killed or wounded. The rebels were commanded by General Ortiz, the leader of the Leon forces. Baca, the rebel president, was at Leon supervising the work of putting that city in as complete a state of defense as possible. The government troops were commanded by Generals Paiz and Rodan.

### A Revolt in St. Louis.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., March 16.—A revolt has taken place in the ranks of the Salvation Army in St. Louis. Last night twenty-five recruits from the various stations in this city, under the leadership of Cadet Vincent, paraded the streets, and held open air exercises similar to those of the Salvation army. The members of the band each wore a red ribbon, over which was pinned a picture of Mrs. Ballington Booth and had the words, "God Bless Our Leader," inscribed upon it. At their head they carried a United States flag and a banner bearing the likenesses of George Washington and Martha Washington.

### A Whole Family Poisoned.

CRAIG, Mo., March 16.—The family of W. B. Taylor, a wealthy farmer, was poisoned here yesterday. The drug is supposed to have been introduced in the coffee, though by whom and for what purpose is a mystery. W. B. Taylor died last night, and his three sons, one of their wives, and Taylor Crisman, a cousin, are dying. It is rumored that a near relative of the family administered the fatal drug.

### Speculated With the State's Money.

DES MOINES, Iowa, March 16.—S. J. Spaulding, secretary and treasurer of the State Board of Pharmacy Commissioners, was arrested yesterday, being seized with \$13,000 in his accounts. He has no property and the state will lose the money. He had been speculating on the Board of Trade for some time and had been a heavy loser. He came into the office with Governor Boies.

### Explosion of an Oil Can.

WICHITA, Kan., March 16.—Miss Katie Winkle, a young woman of Peck, twelve miles south of this city, was burned to death yesterday by the explosion of an oil can. Mrs. Meyers, who tried to save her, was also burned so badly that there is little hope of her recovery. A hired hand was badly but not seriously burned.

### Rothschilds Pleads Guilty.

MOOREHEAD, Mo., March 16.—Abe Rothschilds, alias Henry Smythe, pleaded guilty to the charge of forgery in Judge John A. Hockaday's court here and was sentenced to four years in the penitentiary. Rothschilds is the man whom the United States officials had been after for years for using the mails for fraudulent purposes.

### Hanged for His Sister's Murder.

PEORIA, Ill., March 16.—Albert Wallace was hanged at Pekin to-day for the murder of his sister, Mrs. Bowly. Dissatisfaction over the disposal of their father's estate was the cause of the murder.

### Harvard's Orators Win.

CAMBRIDGE, Mass., March 16.—Harvard's young orators won the competitive debate with Princeton last night, and the Crimson's long record of oratorical triumphs remains unbroken.

### Pugilist Convicted of Manslaughter.

MILWAUKEE, Wis., March 16.—Frank Klein, a pugilist, was convicted of manslaughter for killing Louis Smidt in May last in a prize fight.

### In Favor of the Metric System.

WASHINGTON, March 16.—Representative Charles W. Stone of Pennsylvania, chairman of the committee on coinage, weights and measures, to-day will submit to the House the unanimous report of the committee in favor of the adoption by the government of the metric system of weights and measures.

### Ex-Governor of Texas Dead.

SAN ANTONIO, Texas, March 16.—Ex-Governor John Ireland of Seguin, died here yesterday of neuralgia of the heart.

## TROOPS IN CONTROL.

### MILITIA IN THE KENTUCKY STATE HOUSE.

Armed Men Were Preparing to Take Forceful Possession—Threats Made to Arrest Governor Bradley for Usurpation of Authority.

FRANKFORT, Ky., March 16.—The riot bell rang from the fire engine house at 11 o'clock last night, and at the same moment Governor Bradley ordered out the militia. Ten minutes later the McCreary Guards, fifty-two strong, Captain Noel Gaines, were in possession of the State house and martial law was proclaimed.

Until yesterday, Governor Bradley had persistently refused to call out the militia, though urged to do so by citizens, irrespective of party.

The Blackburn leaders, he was informed, had been preparing all day to take forcible possession of the State house. Threats were made that the Senate would arrest the Governor for usurpation of authority in giving the instructions he gave to the sheriff of Franklin county to clear the corridors and cloak rooms.

The sergeant-at-arms, Mr. Somers, had sworn in Jack Chinn, Jim Williams, Eph Lillard and other desperate men as his deputies. It was also reported to the governor by numerous affidavits that armed men had been collecting in the capital for two or three days, with a view to take charge of the joint assembly on Monday.

Guards surround the State house and permit no one but State officers, senators, representatives and others having a constitutional right, to pass. The excitement in the city is great and the streets are full of people. No little apprehension is felt.

Democrats are threatening to impeach Governor Bradley for his orders to the sheriff to keep the lobbies clear. Sergeant-at-Arms Somers says he will have as his assistants in the joint assembly to-day Chinn, Williams and Lillard.

Excitement is very high. Poor, the Populist, has pledged the Republicans to vote for Boyle to-day and, if he does, Boyle is likely to be elected.

### A MISSOURI ROMANCE.

Man Supposed to Have Been Dead Fifteen Years Turns Up.

SEDALIA, Mo., March 16.—Fifteen years ago a man was run over by a Missouri Pacific train about two miles west of this city, the remains being cut into many pieces and strewn for a number of yards along the track. The remains were picked up, placed in a goods box and brought to Sedalia. The dead man, after being patched up by the undertaker, was identified as George H. Hatfield, of this city, and buried as such. Seven years ago, the wife of Hatfield married W. H. Barnhart, who is now a prosperous coal dealer in this city. Yesterday George Hatfield arrived here from California, where he has been for the past fifteen years engaged in fruit farming. He had never written home in all the past years, but had prospered as a fruit grower and grown wealthy. When he learned that his wife had remarried, like Enoch Arden, he viewed her home from across the street, and, seeing that she was happy and comfortably situated, he left his "Anna undisturbed with Phillip," and departed for Syracuse, Mo., in company with his brother, Charles Hatfield, who resides in this city.

### Surgery Aided by X Rays.

BALTIMORE, Md., March 16.—The first surgical operation at the Johns Hopkins hospital in which the cathode rays were utilized was performed yesterday. It was the extraction of a scissor blade from a woman's hand where it had been imbedded for twelve years. The location and position of the substance was revealed by a photograph taken with the X rays.

### Rates for the Republican Convention.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., March 16.—The Western Passenger association has decided to make a rate of one fare for the round trip for the Republican national convention to be held here in June, and the Populist and Bimetallist national conventions to be held here in July.

### A Congressman's Jewels Stolen.

WASHINGTON, March 16.—The apartments of Representative Grove L. Johnson of California, at the Cochran hotel, were entered by professional sneak thieves yesterday while the family were at dinner and money, jewels and securities valued at \$2,000 were stolen.

### New Party in Michigan.

LANSING, Mich., March 16.—A new political party, known as "The Free Silver Democrat Party of Michigan," was organized here yesterday at a conference of some twenty-five free silver Democrats representing various sections of the state.

### A Farmer's Wife Commits Suicide.

BRECKINRIDGE, Mo., March 16.—Mrs. Arthur Moorshead, wife of one of the most popular farmers in this county, committed suicide in their barn on their farm about three miles southeast of this city by hanging herself with a halter.

### Deposed Commander Invited to Chicago.

CHICAGO, March 16.—The W. C. T. U. has invited Ballington and Maud Booth to hold meetings in Willard hall during their contemplated visit to Chicago.

### European Bimetallist Movement.

BERLIN, March 16.—The German bimetallists have made an arrangement with bimetallists in England, France and Austria to introduce identical motions, looking to the use of both gold and silver as currency, in their respective parliaments.

### A Chicago Postoffice Burns.

CHICAGO, March 16.—The postoffice located at South Chicago, with all the mail, office fixtures and stamps burned yesterday. The loss on the building and fixtures is \$10,000.

## POLITICAL NEWS.

William H. Anderson of Kentucky has been confirmed as register of lands at Enid, Okla.

A favorable report on the admission of New Mexico to Statehood has been made in the Senate.

Election of senators by popular vote has been favorably reported to the Senate. Committee vote was 5 to 4—3 Republicans and 2 Democrats for, and 2 each against it.

Congressman Gasten A. Robbins of the Fourth Alabama district was unseated by a vote of 173 to 59, and W. F. Aldrich given the place. White of Illinois voted with fifty-eight Democrats for Robbins. The Populists and Cobb, Dockery and DeArmond of Missouri voted with the Republicans.

Ohio's free silver Democrats are plotting to control the Chicago delegation.

Ex-Governor Fifer was elected Republican national committeeman for Illinois, but declined the office.

State executive committee of the American bimetallic party of California favors Senator Morgan of Alabama for president and Senator Allen of Nebraska for vice president.

The McKinley forces have practically captured the Georgia vote in the national Republican convention. Of the sixteen delegates chosen so far, thirteen are for the Ohio man.

Ex-President Harrison's friends are actively working on the second-choice idea of delegates to the Republican National convention, notwithstanding the general withdrawal from the presidential race.

Four thousand people attended the Iowa Republican State convention at Des Moines and gave Allison a big send-off as a presidential candidate. James S. Clarkson, D. B. Henderson, John H. Gear and W. P. Hepburn were named as the St. Louis delegation.

Many contracts for hotel rooms at the St. Louis convention for state delegations are being given up for various reasons, and every room being thus made vacant is being gobbled up by the McKinley forces, who expect to have several people in town when the next president is nominated.

Ohio State Republican convention was a McKinley boom meeting from beginning to end. Bimetallism was endorsed, also protection, reciprocity and the Monroe doctrine. National administration was denounced, especially as to its pension policy. Governor Bushnell, Senator Foraker and Congressman Grosvenor and Hanna were named as St. Louis delegates.

### NEWS IN BRIEF.

A negro who robbed a store at Oak Ridge, La., was lynched.

The citizens of Rockport, Mo., organized a vigilance committee to hunt down incendiaries.

James Pollard was sentenced to be hanged April 24 for the murder of Joseph Irvin at St. Joseph, Mo.

Professor J. R. Dobyns was elected superintendent of the Missouri School for the Deaf and Dumb.

The Westinghouse and General Electric companies have agreed upon the joint use of certain patterns.

The building of the Pope Manufacturing company at Boston was burned. Seventeen hundred bicycles were destroyed.

Dnestrow, the millionaire wife and child murderer, was sentenced to be hanged April 22. An appeal was taken to the Supreme court.

W. H. Huntington, jr., confessed to embezzling \$40,000 from Childs, Groff & Co., shoe dealers, Cleveland, Ohio. A \$100,000 shortage has been detected.

Exports for the first eight months of the present fiscal year show an enormous increase over last year.

Honduras is under martial law pending the result of the rebellion in Nicaragua.

General Baratieri says that he is ready to meet all charges concerning his action at Adowa.

Cambridge university will not even consider the proposition to confer degrees upon women.

Trains for France are crowded with Italians, who are fleeing to escape military service in Africa.

Russia will control Turkey's relations with the Balkans and Egypt, and agrees to preserve order in Armenia.

The anti-option (Hatch) bill is dead. Roman Catholics are getting up a Y. M. C. A. of their own.

Spain is still making ready for war with the United States.

William Davidson was found dead on the Waynoka road near Alva, Okla.

Democrats of Rhode Island nominated Hon. George Littlefield for governor.

A plot to assassinate President Hippolyte of Hayti, has been discovered and frustrated.

Fifty Nicaraguan rebels were killed in a recent battle at Metapa near the Honduras line.

South McAllister citizens in mass meeting passed resolutions in favor of the Dawes bill.

Ballington Booth will invade Chicago as soon as his new organization is perfected in New York.

William Wehrli of Woods county, Oklahoma, was killed by an assassin while sitting in his own house.

The Republicans of the Seventh Wisconsin district met in convention and elected McKinley delegates to St. Louis.

Twenty-three persons control 174,000 acres of Cherokee land, being the share of 4,000 Indians. Judge McKennon of the Dawes commission favors taking the land from the monopolists and allotting it to Indian citizens.

London Chronicle concludes that from England's own showing in the recent Venezuela blue book the British have no case.

The New York suits to compel the Gould heirs to pay taxes on \$10,500,000 worth of property have been abandoned and the assessments vacated.

The "God in the Constitution" hearing before the House judiciary committee at Washington, was very exciting. An American flag enclosed a bundle of protests and remonstrances against the proposed sectarian legislation. Many clergymen spoke and were cheered and hissed about equally by the audience.

## HUMORIST'S CORNER.

### SOME PLEASANT PARAGRAPHS FOR LEAN READERS.

"Listen to the Coming Woman"—The Self-Closing Door—Practice Makes Perfect, or, How Brother Holdemup Succeeded as a Church Collector.



ISTEN to the Coming Woman, an, Voicing this progressive age; Among many fads and fancies, Dress Reform is all the rage.

Widen out your streets and sidewalks;

Room is what the women lack; Room to move and turn around in; For the bustle's coming back.

Elevate your freeseed ceilings; Raise your roofs nearer the sky; For next summer's style of coiffure Will be over three feet high.

### A Dime Novelle.

#### CHAPTER I.

"Halt!"

#### CHAPTER II.

Another step and Dick Hovey would have been a dead man.

Perhaps.

"Trow up yer han's."

Dick Hovey's hands went up. As they did so a dozen bandits sprang from their concealment and surrounded him.

#### CHAPTER III.

"Really, gentlemen," said he, good-naturedly, "you almost surprised me; I wasn't looking for an audience way out here; 'deed I wasn't. But I am pleased, gentlemen, more than pleased. Your very looks denote your intelligence, and an intelligent crowd is the crowd I like to meet. All joking aside, boys, it would be impossible to find your equal this side of the Rockies, and right here I'm going to put my statement to test. Step forward, gents, and let me show you this little—"

"Hol' on dere, keep dem han's up," commanded the wily leader. And Dick Hovey, simple, harmless Dick Hovey, obeyed.

#### CHAPTER IV.

Again the stillness was broken by Dick Hovey's voice.

"Oh, certainly, gentlemen, if you wish it. But dead straight, now, I have a little article here that is bound to interest you all. Its equal has never been known. Step up, boys, and see for yourselves. Take them from my pockets if you will. They won't hurt you; they won't bite you. Warranted not to kick, bite, break or go off half-cocked. Here you are, boys, just one apiece. I've got just an even dozen. There, you wind it up so, and it goes off so. H-ar that! Ain't it beautiful